

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of the patent application having Ser. No. 10/759,776 filed January 16, 2004, which is a continuation in part of application Serial Number 10/142,486, filed on May 10, 2002, which is a continuation in part of application Serial No. 09/372,493, filed August 20, 1999, which is a continuation in part of application Serial Number 08/854,175, filed May 09, 1997, which is a continuation in part of application Serial No. 08/764,501, filed December 12, 1996, which is a continuation in part of application Serial No. 08/617,183, filed March 18, 1996, now United States Patent No. 5,628,798.

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FIGS. 17 through ~~49B~~ 19 and 21 through 25 illustrate another embodiment of the adjustable ocular implant. The ocular implant includes an adjustable lens which is indicated generally by reference numeral 300A or 300B and a base annulus 302. Lens 300A or 300B includes a first or front plano-convex surface 304 and a second or back plano-convex surface 306. The two foregoing plano-convex surfaces are separated by an integral material thickness or body 310. The body has plurality of external threads 312 for the threaded insertion in the base annulus 302 as will be described below. It will be appreciated that each of the plurality of threads generally has a uniform radius. However, it also will be noted that the extreme outer threads, 312A and 312B are comprised of the edge of the respective outer plano-convex surfaces and have a radius which is somewhat less than the radius of the middle threads. The reduced radii facilitate introduction and removal of the lens 300A or 300B into and out of the annulus 202.

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The base annulus 302 is shown in greater detail in Figs. 17 and includes a substantially circular body 314 having an opening 316 centrally therein. Opening 316 has at least one peripheral thread 318 the diameter of opening 216 is such

so as to accommodate the introduction of the lens 300A or 300B by threadedly engaging the threaded surface 312 with thread 318. Body 314 also includes a first arcuate haptic 320 and a second opposed arcuate haptic 322 to secure the insert in the capsular bag of the human eye after a cataract or, alternatively, secures the insert in the ciliary sulcus or anterior chamber.